

## Water Transfer Working Group Minutes from January 28, 2008

Dave Brown, Stuart Crane, Paul Dempsey, Melissa Downes, Bill Ferry, Chuck Garner, Teresa Hauser, Carron Helberg, Stan Isley, Dave Kaumheimer, Jonathan Kohr, Chris Lynch, Larry Martin, Jason McCormick, Joe Mentor, Jim Milton, Ryland Moore, Tom Ring, Traci Shallbetter, Ginny Stern (phone), Tom Tebb, Dawn Wiedmeier, Ron Van Gundy.

Dawn Wiedmeier began the meeting with asking for the approval of the previous meeting minutes, and the group approved the minutes after a small correction.

Dawn continued with the next agenda item of new proposals. Traci Shallbetter explained the 2008-02 proposal for Swiftwater. Traci talked about the dual right, the consumptive use calculation, and wanted the expertise of the group. Tom Tebb wants to see a water budget, how it is used, the mitigation, and then Ecology will be better prepared to comment. The group talked about switching basins, the consumptive use, the stock water rights, the fact that it is on the Teanaway, what the fish issues are, fallowing of land, and priority dates. Tom T said the group is not ready to give it a go and it needs a lot of work. Tom T appreciates the client looking for water on their own and looks forward to this proposal returning to the group.

Dawn continued with the next proposal 2008-03 for City of Roslyn. Jason McCormick and Ryland Moore explained this proposal. The group discussed that even though this is a transfer upstream, that this stretch of the river would not be negatively impacted. The group also discussed drought year impacts. Tom T said this would need some work to be done and metering will be looked at. This transfer will be revisited.

Dawn continued with the next agenda item on the ESA components of the Ecology and Reclamation exchange contract. Bill Ferry explained where we are with the ESA criteria (1%) with the tributaries to be the areas of concern. Tom Ring, Joe Mentor and Bill F discussed how this contract, and ESA process, is perceived. Dawn suggested continuing to discuss the criteria with a conference call.

The group agreed that February 25, 2008 would be the next meeting, if there were any new business to come before the group.

The meeting was adjourned at 2:30 PM.